

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sabeer Bhatia et al.	Confirmation No.: 8569
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COMMENTS ON THE REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

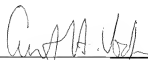
The Examiner has cited reasons for allowance in this application in connection with the Notice of Allowance mailed October 30, 2008. It appears the Examiner's reasons for allowance do not recite the exact language of the claims. We wish to point out that the exact language of these claims is the best recitation supporting the reasons for allowance.

Further, Applicant wishes to point out that there are additional reasons for allowance, including features of independent and dependent claims not specifically referenced in the Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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